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102 MDOC PRISON EMPLOYEES RECEIVE EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AND SERVICE AWARDS DURING JUNE

Jackson – Mississippi Department of Corrections (MDOC) employees from the state's three public institutions were presented recognition and awards during June. The awards program was initiated by the agency in July 2001 to recognize exemplary employees within the MDOC. The state corrections agency currently has over 3,600 people in its employ statewide.

Mississippi State Penitentiary Recognition Award Recipients

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Job Title</u> | <u>Hometown</u> | <u>Award</u> |
|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Will Otis Jones | Correctional Officer IV | Marks | Correctional Officer of the Month |
| Lillian Haywood | Case Manager | Winstonville | Staff Employee of the Month |
| Tommy Mitchell | Correctional Officer IV | Clarksdale | Extra Effort Award |

Mississippi State Penitentiary Service Award Recipients

| NAME | TOWN | YEARS SERVICE |
|----------------|-----------|---------------|
| Linda Anderson | Drew | 5 |
| Marjorie Birge | Cleveland | 5 |
| Regina Chornes | Marks | 5 |
| James Dill | Sunflower | 5 |
| Artie Ford | Ruleville | 5 |

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| NAME | TOWN | YEARS SERVICE |
|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Billy Gardner | Clarksdale | 5 |
| Linda Harris | Cleveland | 5 |
| Dorothy Jackson | Itta Bena | 5 |
| Katalba Jordan | Merigold | 5 |
| Shannon Knight | Merigold | 5 |
| Joann Marshall | Merigold | 5 |
| Gwendolyn Norwood | Jackson | 5 |
| Equent Robinson | Cleveland | 5 |
| Lawyer Ross | Clarksdale | 5 |
| Bobbie Summers | Ruleville | 5 |
| Barbara Thigpen | Drew | 5 5 |
| Clarissa Williams | Shelby | |
| Maxine Wilson | Ruleville | 5 |
| Gloria Anderson | Ruleville | 15 |
| Joyce Anderson | Shaw | 15 |
| Pamela Brooks | Ruleville | 15 |
| Rosie Brown | Drew | 15 |
| Violet Coaten | Parchman | 15 |
| David Collins | Tutwiler | 15 |
| Dianne Davis | Greenwood | 15 |
| Mira Foster | Cleveland | 15 |
| Dorothy Gooden | Shelby | 15 |
| Thelma Hampton | Webb | 15 |
| Teresa Haynes | Drew | 15 |
| Lillian Haywood | Winstonville | 15 |
| Efta Hudson | Tutwiler | 15 |
| Carolyn Kidd | Drew | 15 |
| Bruce Lakes | Drew | 15 |
| Jessie Lloyd | Moorehead | 15 |
| Tommy Marble | Parchman | 15 |
| Clara Moss | Ruleville | 15 |
| Tracy Pirtle | Greenwood | 15 |
| Herdestine Rogers | Ruleville | 15 |
| Beverly Williams | Cleveland | 15 |
| Carolyn Williams | Greenwood | 15 |

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| NAME | TOWN | YEARS SERVICE |
|------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Howard Williams | Drew | 15 |
| Marian Winters | Drew | 15 |
| Coleridge Bryant | Itta Bena | 20 |
| Barry Cannon | Cleveland | 20 |
| Jacqulyne Gardner | Mound Bayou | 20 |
| Willie Glover | Sunflower | 20 |
| Will Jones | Marks | 20 |
| Larry Lucas | Parchman | 20 |
| Maxine Lynch | Cleveland | 20 |
| Louise Manning | Drew | 20 |
| Conrad Mckay | Marks | 20 |
| Roger Parker | Parchman | 20 |
| Willie Sisson | Parchman | 20 |
| Robert Tate | Pace | 20 |
| Russell White | Parchman | 20 |
| Edna Bland | Shelby | 25 |
| James Flowers | Rosedale | 25 |
| Tommie Gordon | Webb | 25 |
| Curtis Hooper | Shelby | 25 |
| Henry White | Lyon | 25 |

Central Mississippi Correctional Facility Recognition Award Recipients

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Job Title</u> | Hometown | <u>Award</u> |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Larry Brown | Correctional Officer II | Jackson | Correctional Officer of the Month |
| Peter Dean | Correctional Supervisor | Jackson | Security Employee of the Month |
| Eric Roberts | Maintenance Supervisor | Jackson | Staff Employee of the Month |
| Roger Yorks | Chaplain | Newton | Extra Effort Award |
| Nathaniel Cannon | Correctional Supervisor | Jackson | Extra Effort Award |
| Diana Wheeler | Correctional Officer III | Sandhill | Extra Effort Award |

Service Award Recipients

| NAME | TOWN | YEARS SERVICE |
|-----------------|------------|---------------|
| Shondra Bell | Yazoo City | 5 |
| Phyllis Bennett | Jackson | 5 |
| Teresa Bonner | Yazoo City | 5 |
| Larry Brown | Jackson | 5 |
| Charles Burks | Newton | 5 |
| Gloria Clark | Pearl | 5 |
| Gloria Hollins | Jackson | 5 |
| Phyllis Kibler | Carthage | 5 |
| Herman Lindsey | Magee | 5 |
| Amy Livingston | Pearl | 5 |
| Beverly Lovet | Jackson | 5 |
| Marcus Lyles | Forest | 5 |
| Barbara Magee | Brandon | 5 |
| Eddie Moore | Forest | 5 |
| Eloise Moore | Jackson | 5 |
| Bernice Oliver | Jackson | 5 |
| Peggy Rucker | Bentonia | 5 |
| Billy Slaughter | Jackson | 5 |
| Lela Anderson | Clinton | 15 |
| Vickie Gilbert | Brandon | 15 |
| Douglass Howell | Brandon | 15 |
| Peggy McEntee | Jackson | 15 |
| Joan Strain | Brandon | 15 |
| Mamie Travis | Pearl | 15 |

South Mississippi Correctional Facility Recognition Award Recipients

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Job Title</u> | <u>Hometown</u> | <u>Award</u> |
|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Vincent Rials | Correctional Officer IV | Waynesboro | Correctional Officer of the Month |
| Patricia Dobbins | ACA Manager | Leakesville | Staff Employee of the Month |

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Service Award Recipients

| NAME | TOWN | YEARS SERVICE |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|
| Roy Breeland | McLain | 5 |
| Linda Brownlee | Heidelburg | 5 |
| Walter Cornell | Lucedale | 5 |
| Deborah Gray | Leakesville | 5 |
| James McCree | Citronelle | 5 |
| Robert Reeves | Leakesville | 5 |

Recipients received award certificates and lapel pins. Additionally the recipients of the Correctional Officer of the Month, the Security Employee of the Month, and the Staff Employee of the Month received plaques in token of the agency's appreciation for their outstanding service to corrections in Mississippi.

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MEDIA NOTE: If you would like more information about the award recipients, contact Ken Jones at (601) 359-5608 or send an e-mail to **kjones@mdoc.state.ms.us**.